



SERVICE NOTED . . . R. M. Laverty Sr., president of THRIFTMART, is shown making presentation of 25-year Service Awards at the 17th Annual Managers Banquet, held at Los Angeles Breakfast Club. Recipients of these awards were (left to right): Albert R. Collins, Ned W. Suttle, C. R. Chancellor, C. C. Larson, Richard E. Lundeen.

Garden Chatter

By LORING BIGELOW

I think it very important from time to time to let the readers of this column know of certain educational events that they may attend to broaden their knowledge of plants and planting about the home, and through which they can, with little effort, obtain the latest in horticultural achievements from the experts.

One such meeting, the California Nurserymen's Institute, was held again this year by the University of California Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with the California Association of Nurserymen. This institute was held on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at room 2250 of Chemistry Building at UCLA.

Although primarily designed for the nurserymen of Southern California, the general public would certainly obtain much valuable information. Subjects covered this year included: how plants grow, responses of plants to temperature and light, hormones and plant growth through pruning, fertilizers and how plants use them, and discussions on propagation, planting, transplanting, climate, temperature and light reactions as well as soils and nutrition.

A new class in Turfgrass Culture will be offered by University of California Extension starting Feb. 5th. This class will be instructed by Victor B. Youngner, assistant professor of ornamental horticulture at the University and cover such subjects as the botany of grasses, turfgrass varieties, their characteristics, identification and uses, their watering and mowing, soils and soil management, fertilizers and turfgrass fertilization, turfgrass insects, diseases and other pests and their control, weeds and weed control, seedbed preparation, seeding and vegetative planting.

According to Youngner this class is open to anyone interested in turf and advanced registration is being accepted at campus offices of the University, the fee for which is \$18. Meetings will be held on Tuesdays for 12 consecutive weeks.

A Garden Practice class will also begin at the University on Monday, Feb. 4. Instructor of this class will be Mildred Davis, Santa Monica landscape architect and garden consultant. This class is primarily for home owners to assist them in the upkeep and maintenance of their gardens.

Her Landscape Design and Plant Materials class will begin on Feb. 6 and both of these courses will include 12 weekly two and a half hour sessions.

Writers Get Ideas From Lady Author

Virginia Cox Smith, author of "Woman Alone Around the World," gave members of the Southwest Manuscripters two important tips when she spoke at the January meeting.

About traveling: "Learn to 'do with' instead of 'without.' That is, don't deny yourself any opportunity to get the most out of your trip."

About writing: "Believe in what you are doing. Don't ask for too many opinions. When you feel you've done the best you can, stick with it."

Experiences Told
Mrs. Smith gave the group a talk about her experiences as a lone traveler around the world, and its far-reaching rewards; especially in the publication of her book.

As an added feature, Miss Ethel Davis, west coast director of Exposition Press, Inc., conducted a question and answer period and gave an example of how an author's work is received by Exposition Press and the various steps until the book is published.

Recent sales by Manuscripters include two articles by Dorothy White. One went to "Today's Secretary" and the other to "Secretary's Style-sheet."

Work Sold
Polly Booth placed an item on the "Women at Work" page in the January issue of Charm magazine.

Jay Ransom sold a 90,000-word book, "Geology for Everybody," to E. P. Button & Co. He has had two articles accepted for men's adventure magazines and four other articles have just been published in various magazines.

The Southwest Manuscripters, an organization of professional as well as beginning writers, meets on the third Friday evening of every month at Clark Stadium, Hermosa Beach.

TV Show Will Visit Roth's

KTTV's "Star Shoppers" television show, featuring Del Moore, will be telecast directly from Roth's Market, 1321 Post Ave., next Wednesday morning at 10:30 a.m. It will be seen over Channel 11.

Shoppers themselves will be the stars of the half-hour show. Valuable merchandise and free groceries will be awarded to the "Star Shoppers."

Gumbo the Magic Clown and the KTTV Funmobile also will appear, with favors and free rides for the children.

Scout Trails



Cub Pack 730

A total of 246 Cub Scouts of Pack 730 and their parents attended the annual Christmas party for the pack Dec. 19 at the Civic Auditorium.

Entertainment was planned and presented by the dens with the help of den mothers. Each den put on a skit with a holiday theme. Awards Chairman Bert Cook presented badges to 13 new wolves and eight new bears. Gold and silver arrows were earned by 13 boys.

Ice cream, punch, cookies, and coffee were served and a visit from Santa Claus brought the meeting to an end.

An active program is being planned for the new year by the pack. One of the first will be a pack outing at the Pro Bowl football game Jan. 13.

Preparations for the annual Blue and Gold dinner next month are being started. The first meeting of the Mothers' Club to plan for the meeting was held yesterday at Higgins Brick Yard.

with Marilyn Mac Lean. Accompanying the teenagers and trying out the blades were the Post leaders and their wives: Mr. and Mrs. Alan Beresford and Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Fish.

Cub Pack 211-C

Cub Pack 211-C, sponsored by the Howard Wood School PTA, held its monthly Pack meeting at Torrance Elementary School Friday evening, Jan. 18.

The following boys received awards:
Den 2—Dick DeMott, denner; Stanley Laurance, gold arrow and bear badge; Michael Slinger, gold arrow and wolf badge.

Den 7—Robert Clarisse, gold arrow and two silver arrow badges; Larry Huggins, silver arrow; Robert Graybehl, gold arrow and bear badge.

Den 8—Louglas Lowarme, gold arrow and wolf badge; David McGee, wolf badge and gold arrow; Dwayne Sorenson,

Bloodmobile Slated Here On Feb. 11

The first 1957 bloodmobile set for Torrance will be at the Civic Auditorium, El Prado and Cravens on Feb. 11, according to Mrs. Gordon Jones, blood program chairman.

The time will remain the same, 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and all active groups will be contacted during this week, Mrs. Jones said.

New donors or new chair-assistant denner; Louis Rodriguez, wolf badge; Ronald Cooke, denner.

A one-year pin was awarded to the following boys: Samuel Martin, Larry Ferguson, Stephen Hartow, George Lopez and Pat Coyne.

Cub Pack 966-C

Cub Scout Pack 966-C, Den No. 2, recently enjoyed a day at Disneyland. Under the supervision of Den Mother Pauline Kemp and with the aid of Margaret Fujimoto, Eva Simmons, and Carol Hedrick, the excited group left Torrance early in the morning and made a full day of it. Making the trip were Larry Fujimoto and Don Silbaugh, den chiefs; Terry Kemp, Mike Hedrick, Steven Walker, Danny Sherman, Larry Lande, John Simmons, and Russell Dennison.

6 Men From Area En Route To Germany

Six Torrance area men are among more than 2100 replacements en route to Germany to join the 10th Infantry Division.

The local men are Pvt. Jack Hanna, Raymond L. Rudeen, William H. Wernett, Robert L. Grove, Vince R. Lechner, and John L. Wilkins. All trained with the 5th Division at Ft. Ord, they will make the 9000-mile voyage to Bremerhaven in 18 days.

Hanna, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie K. Hanna, 1411 W. 257th St., Harbor City, is a 1955 graduate of Narbonne High School and a former employe of The HERALD.

Rudeen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tobias Rudeen, 1525 W. 257th St., Harbor City, also is a 1955 graduate of Narbonne High.

Wernett is the son of Mrs. Mildred M. Wernett, 1515 Beech Ave. The 24-year-old soldier graduated from Long Beach State College in 1954 and entered the Army last July.

Grove is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Newton F. Grove, 4611 Rollando Dr., Rolling Hills. Lechner, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent P. Lechner, 2441 W. 254th St., Lomita, graduated from Narbonne High in 1955.

Wilkins is the son of Fred Wilkins, 1119 W. 253rd St., Harbor City. The 23-year-old soldier entered the Army in June, 1956.

FISH INDUSTRY

Oysters rank as the most valuable product of the American fisheries. Salmon is second, menhaden third, cod fourth, and halibut is in fifth place.

men Robert Jahn and Nickolas Drule, and Manager Dick Fitzgerald of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce.

The board commended Torrance for its progressive attitude toward government, industry, education, and recreation; marking the city's amazing population growth which now totals more than 84,000 persons.

Chace patted the city's administration on the back for its foresight in providing Torrance residents with a modern and comprehensive civic center.

The supervisor pointed out that Torrance was founded in 1911 by Jared Sidney Torrance and in 1921 had a population of 1000. At the time its charter was adopted in 1947, the city had grown to 13,000.

Supervisors Honor City At Meeting

Officials and citizens of Torrance were honored in ceremonies before the County Board of Supervisors today in recognition of that city's winning the "All America" municipality award for the year 1956.

Supervisor Burton W. Chace presented an engrossed scroll to Mayor Albert Isen, Council-

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